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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above identified application, please amend as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Amended) A method for making [acetylene] derivatives of phenanthrolines comprising reacting a 3,8 brominated phenanthroline with an aromatic acetylene to form an acetylene derivative of phenanthroline